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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

The Honorable Ava Frisinger Mayor, City of Issaquah P.O. Box 1307 Issaguah, WA 98027

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Case No.:

06-10-B008P

Community Name:

City of Issaquah, WA

Community No.:

530079

Effective Date of MAY 3 1 2006

Dear Mayor Frisinger:

The Flood Insurance Rate Map for your community has been revised by this Letter of Map Revision (LOMR). Please use the enclosed annotated map panel(s) revised by this LOMR for floodplain management purposes and for all flood insurance policies and renewals issued in your community.

Additional documents are enclosed which provide information regarding this LOMR. Please see the List of Enclosures below to determine which documents are included. Other attachments specific to this request may be included as referenced in the Determination Document. If you have any questions regarding floodplain management regulations for your community or the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) in general, please contact the Consultation Coordination Officer for your community. If you have any technical questions regarding this LOMR, please contact the Director, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Division of the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in Bothell, Washington, at (425) 487-4682, or the FEMA Map Assistance Center toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP). Additional information about the NFIP is available on our website at http://www.fema.gov/nfip.

Sincerely,

Kevin C. Long, CFM, Project Engineer

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Hazard Identification Section

Mitigation Division

For:

Doug Bellomo, P.E., Chief

Hazard Identification Section

Mitigation Division

List of Enclosures:

Letter of Map Revision Determination Document Annotated Flood Insurance Rate Map

cc: Mr. Kerry Ritland, P.E.

Senior Water Resources Engineer

City of Issaquah



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LETTER OF MAP REVISION DETERMINATION DOCUMENT

COMMUNITY AND REVISION INFORMATION		PROJECT DESCRIPTION	BASIS OF REQUEST	
COMMUNITY	City of Issaquah King County Washington COMMUNITY NO.: 530079	NO PROJECT	NEW TOPOGRAPHIC DATA	
IDENTIFIER	FEMA Map Panel 694	APPROXIMATE LATITUDE & LONGITUDE: 47.5153, -122.0267 SOURCE: USGS QUADRANGLE DATUM: NAD 83		

FLOODING SOURCE(S) & REVISED REACH(ES)

Issaquah Creek – from approximately 200 feet downstream to approximately 200 feet upstream of Sycamore Drive South on the east side of South Front Street

SUMMARY OF REVISIONS

Effective Flooding:

BFEs*

Revised Flooding:

BFEs

Increases:

YES

Decreases:

NONE

* BFEs - Base Flood Elevations

/	ANNOTATED MAPPING E	NCLOSURES	ANNOTATED STUDY ENCLOSURES		
TYPE: FIRM*	NO.: 53033C0694 G	Date: April 19, 2005	NO REVISION TO THE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY REPORT		
* FIRM - Flood Insurance Rate Map; ** FBFM - Flood Boundary and Floodway Map; *** FHBM - Flood Hazard Boundary Map					

DETERMINATION

This document provides the determination from the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) regarding a request for a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) for the area described above. Using the information submitted, we have determined that a revision to the flood hazards depicted in the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report and/or National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) map is warranted. This document revises the effective NFIP map, as indicated in the attached documentation. Please use the enclosed annotated map panels revised by this LOMR for floodplain management purposes and for all flood insurance policies and renewals in your community.

This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed documents provide additional information regarding this determination. If you have any questions about this document, please contact the FEMA Map Assistance Center toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the LOMR Depot, 3601 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22304. Additional information about the NFIP is available on our website at http://www.fema.gov/nfip.

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

APPLICABLE NFIP REGULATIONS/COMMUNITY OBLIGATION

We have made this determination pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) and in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, P.L. 90-448), 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 44 CFR Part 65. Pursuant to Section 1361 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, communities participating in the NFIP are required to adopt and enforce floodplain management regulations that meet or exceed NFIP criteria. These criteria, including adoption of the FIS report and FIRM, and the modifications made by this LOMR, are the minimum requirements for continued NFIP participation and do not supersede more stringent State/Commonwealth or local requirements to which the regulations apply.

COMMUNITY REMINDERS

We based this determination on the 1-percent-annual-chance flood discharges computed in the FIS for your community without considering subsequent changes in watershed characteristics that could increase flood discharges. Future development of projects upstream could cause increased flood discharges, which could cause increased flood hazards. A comprehensive restudy of your community's flood hazards would consider the cumulative effects of development on flood discharges subsequent to the publication of the FIS report for your community and could, therefore, establish greater flood hazards in this area.

Your community must regulate all proposed floodplain development and ensure that permits required by Federal and/or State/Commonwealth law have been obtained. State/Commonwealth or community officials, based on knowledge of local conditions and in the interest of safety, may set higher standards for construction or may limit development in floodplain areas. If your State/Commonwealth or community has adopted more restrictive or comprehensive floodplain management criteria, those criteria take precedence over the minimum NFIP requirements.

We will not print and distribute this LOMR to primary users, such as local insurance agents or mortgage lenders; instead, the community will serve as a repository for the new data. We encourage you to disseminate the information in this LOMR by preparing a news release for publication in your community's newspaper that describes the revision and explains how your community will provide the data and help interpret the NFIP maps. In that way, interested persons, such as property owners, insurance agents, and mortgage lenders, can benefit from the information.

This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed documents provide additional information regarding this determination. If you have any questions about this document, please contact the FEMA Map Assistance Center toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the LOMR Depot, 3601 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22304. Additional information about the NFIP is available on our website at http://www.fema.gov/nfip.

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LETTER OF MAP REVISION **DETERMINATION DOCUMENT (CONTINUED)**

COMMUNITY INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

We have designated a Consultation Coordination Officer (CCO) to assist your community. The CCO will be the primary liaison between your community and FEMA. For information regarding your CCO, please contact:

> Mr. Carl L. Cook, Jr. Director, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Division Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region X Federal Regional Center 130 228th Street Southwest Bothell, WA 98021-9796 (425) 487-4682

STATUS OF THE COMMUNITY NFIP MAPS

We will not physically revise and republish the FIRM for your community to reflect the modifications made by this LOMR at this time. When changes to the previously cited FIRM panel warrant physical revision and republication in the future, we will incorporate the modifications made by this LOMR at that time.

This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed documents provide additional information regarding this determination. If you have any questions about this document, please contact the FEMA Map Assistance Center toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the LOMR Depot, 3601 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22304. Additional information about the NFIP is available on our website at http://www.fema.gov/nfip.

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PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF REVISION

Within 90 days of the second publication in the local newspaper, a citizen may request that we reconsider this determination. Any request for reconsideration must be based on scientific or technical data. Therefore, this letter will be effective only after the 90-day appeal period has elapsed and we have resolved any appeals that we receive during this appeal period. Until this LOMR is effective, the revised BFEs presented in this LOMR may be changed.

A notice of changes will be published in the Federal Register. This information also will be published in your local newspaper on or about the dates listed below.

LOCAL NEWSPAPER

Name: Issaquah Press

Dates: 02/22/2006

03/01/2006

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

		BFE (FEET NGVD)		MAP PANEL
FLOODING SOURCE	LOCATION OF REFERENCED ELEVATION	EFFECTIVE	REVISED	NUMBER(S)
Issaguah Creek	Approximately 200 feet downstream of Sycamore Drive South on east side of South Front Street	125	128	53033C0694 G
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This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed documents provide additional information regarding this determination. If you have any questions about this document, please contact the FEMA Map Assistance Center toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the LOMR Depot, 3601 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22304. Additional information about the NFIP is available on our website at http://www.fema.gov/nfip.

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CHANGES ARE MADE IN DETERMINATIONS OF BASE FLOOD ELEVATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ISSAQUAH, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, UNDER THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

On April 19, 2005, the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency identified Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs) in the City of Issaquah, King County, Washington, through issuance of a Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM). The Mitigation Division has determined that modification of the elevations of the flood having a 1-percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year (base flood) for certain locations in this community is appropriate. The modified Base Flood Elevations (BFEs) revise the FIRM for the community.

The changes are being made pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (Public Law 93-234) and are in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, Public Law 90-448), 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 44 CFR Part 65.

A revaluation of the topographic information on the east side of South Front Street and the hydraulic analysis along Issaquah Creek from approximately 400 feet downstream to approximately 180 feet upstream of Sycamore Drive South was performed. This has resulted in increased BFEs for Issaquah Creek. The table below indicates existing and modified BFEs for selected locations along the affected lengths of the flooding source(s) cited above.

Location	Existing BFE (feet)*	Modified BFE (feet)*
Approximately 200 feet downstream of Sycamore Drive So on east side of South Front Street	125	128
Approximately 200 feet upstream of Sycamore Drive South on east side of South Front Street	127	128

^{*}National Geodetic Vertical Datum, rounded to nearest whole foot

Under the above-mentioned Acts of 1968 and 1973, the Mitigation Division must develop criteria for floodplain management. To participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), the community must use the modified BFEs to administer the floodplain management measures of the NFIP. These modified BFEs will also be used to calculate the appropriate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings and their contents and for the second layer of insurance on existing buildings and contents.

Upon the second publication of notice of these changes in this newspaper, any person has 90 days in which he or she can request, through the Chief Executive Officer of the community, that the Mitigation Division reconsider the determination. Any request for reconsideration must be based on knowledge of changed conditions or new scientific or technical data. All interested parties are on notice that until the 90-day period elapses, the Mitigation Division's determination to modify the BFEs may itself be changed.

Any person having knowledge or wishing to comment on these changes should immediately notify:

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